

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Andrew VAILLANT et al.  
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For: ANTIVIRAL OLIGONUCLEOTIDES  
Art Unit: 1648  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Director of the USPTO/Commissioner of Patents  
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Sir:

A pre-appeal brief request for review and a Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently.

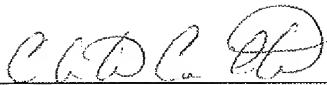
The following extension of time is requested to file the Notice of Appeal and related documents enclosed in response to the Office Action dated December 15, 2006:

Two months up to and including May 15, 2007; the extension fee is \$225.00.  
 Charge \$225.00 to Deposit Account No. 19-5113.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-5113.

Respectfully submitted,

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